

**Summary of District 2 Minutes
May 25, 2008**

- 1) **Items for Groups to Vote On:** None.
 - a) **District Level:** None.
 - b) **Area Level:** None.

- 2) **Items to Consider:**
 - a) **GSRs please let groups know what the voting results were at Area if you haven't done so!!! The Area minutes will be posted on www.area63.org. Results are as follows:**
 - i) Motion to move Area 63's banking from Bank West to a larger banking institution: **Voted in favor of.** Moving it to a larger banking institution will make it easier to access instead of driving across the state to do business.
 - ii) Motion to raise Conference fund from \$4,000 to \$6,000 for a prudent reserve. **Voted in favor of.** This is due to rising costs, getting speakers of notoriety for higher attendance to pay for their expenses, etc..
 - iii) Motion to open a permanent Spring Conference Account, and a Fall Conference Account. **Voted in favor of.** This is to cut down on costs, removing the inconvenience and waste of checks having to open and close accounts for every Conference, and for convenience. Dual signatures would be required – Area Treasurer, and Area Chairperson.
 - iv) Motion to adapt a “Pink Can” concept at the area level to allow groups and individuals to donate monies specifically used for the purchase of corrections literature. **Voted in favor of.**
 - v) The bid for the 2009 Fall Conference by District 13 to be held 10/09 – 10/11, 2009 was **voted in favor of.**
 - b) Discussion of committee budget continued discussion – *“To leave the current District 2 general fund account and the prudent reserve as is until the contributions equal our approved 2008 budget of \$4000.00. We will review this at the end of the year or before if our contributions reach \$4000.00 which ever comes first. Then we will decide how to disperse the funds to Area 63 and GSO accordingly.”* **We need to go over expenses of previous year(s?) to gather information so we can move forward on this item either before or during next District meeting.**

- 3) **Additional Notes & Comments:**
 - a) Dist. 2 has volunteered to host the **Area 63 GSR and Officer Workshop** (if no objections from other Districts) tentatively set for **Sept 13** as an all day event. **Will be potluck** so everyone attending please bring a dish. Meat so far will not be provided. Tentatively set to be held at Silver City at the old school house. Will contact Estelle G. for updates and let everyone know.
 - b) District 2 would also like to welcome **Chris S.** who is the new GSR for the Rushmore Group! Chris was the previous year's Chairperson for PI/CPC. Welcome back!

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NOTE: Next Meeting is Sunday, May 25, 2008

- **4:00 pm Committee Meetings**
- **4:30pm District Meeting**

District Committee Officers: (= Absent, = Present or represented by back up)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DCM: Todd T. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer: Eric H. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grapevine/Lit.: Dave K-S. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alt. DCM: Scott V. | <input type="checkbox"/> PI/CPC: Anthony F. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corrections & Treatment: Dale J. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotline: Brittney A. for Tammy F. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary: Lester W. for Jim J. | |

GSR's: (= Absent, = Present or represented by back up)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stand Up & Shine Group, Kirsten L. | <input type="checkbox"/> All-Timers Group, Warren J. | <input type="checkbox"/> Al's Group, Max M. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BH Open Speakers Group, Dana C. | <input type="checkbox"/> Dawn Patrol Group, Gene S. | <input type="checkbox"/> Happy Hour Group, Lori N. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Key Club Group, Doug N. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keep It Simple Group, Geneva S. | <input type="checkbox"/> Early Risers Group, Cyndy H. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rushmore Group, Chris S. | <input type="checkbox"/> Morning Star Group, Daron W.E. | <input type="checkbox"/> Unified LALL Group, John J. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Noon N.S. Group, Frank D. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday AM Spiritual Group, Jeff J. | <input type="checkbox"/> Ellsworth Group, Bonnie K. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCTNG, Jason (Jay) G. | <input type="checkbox"/> Women in Recovery, Brenda M. | <input type="checkbox"/> Noon Luncheon Group, Pete M. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exit 51Group, Eloy M. | <input type="checkbox"/> Almost Home Group, Sonny H. | <input type="checkbox"/> High Noon Group, Bob, Alt. GSR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Morning 10:30 Group, Jake V. | <input type="checkbox"/> Wiconi Teca New Life Fellowship Group, Daron W.E. | <input type="checkbox"/> Grapevine Group, Mike K. |

Meeting Opening:

General Greetings & Serenity Prayer: Todd T. (DCM) welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. It was agreed to put cell phones on vibrate and to put "Principles before Personalities".

Opening Readings:

Committee Reports:

Secretary: April Old and New Business minutes were read by Lester W. Motion made to accept and passed. . --- **Respectfully submitted, Lester W., Alt. Secretary, for Jim J., Secretary. Thanks again to Lester W. for filling in and taking AWESOME notes for me while I was in Seattle!!!** If anyone reading these minutes notice anything that had been omitted or anything that is incorrect, please let me know! My email is jtj@earthling.net and my phone # is (605)343-2059. Would prefer emails but if that is not possible feel free to call. All suggestions are welcome!!! Also if you know of anyone or if you would like to get a copy of the minutes by email or regular mail, let me know. --- Jim J.

Treasurer: Beginning balance = 1630.38; Expenses = Mid-continent \$48.66; Secretary \$18.07;Po Box: \$50.00; Donations = YTD: \$711.35 ; Ending Balance = \$1513.65. Pink Can Donations YTD = \$129.07. **Note:** All pink can donations are used for purchasing literature for correction and treatment facilities and are not a part of District 2 finances. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as read was made and seconded, and approved as read – Submitted by Todd T. for Eric H.

NOTE: 7th Tradition Mailing Addresses for Alcoholics Anonymous - Please make checks payable:

- **DISTRICT 2: District Two Finance Committee, Attn: Eric H., PO Box 1382, Rapid City, SD 57709**
- **AREA 63: Area 63 Treasurer, Tammy F., 840 N. Spruce Lot 284, Rapid City, SD 57701**
- **GSO: General Service Organization, Grand Central Station, PO Box 459, New York, NY 10161**
- **Finance Committee Report: (same as above)**

Alternate DCM: no report submitted.

Corrections & Treatment: Attended Spring Conference in Aberdeen May 16, 17, 18, 2008. Sat on Corrections and Treatment Committee and saw the adoption of a proposal to have an Area 63 “pink can” set out at Area 63 functions to collect voluntary contributions for purchase of literature for Area 63 corrections facilities.

Distributed 10 Big Books and 5 12X12s to Joan C. for use in women’s meetings at the Penn. Co. Jail. Also, talked to Joan E. about supplying some literature to the people taking AA into the CAB unit.

Have heard rumors of a break down in coordination of volunteers at the Juvenile Service Center. Will check into that and find a new volunteer to take that over. **As always, volunteers are needed to help put on institution meetings.**

I will be asking around to find a group to take over the Beginners meetings for 6 weeks beginning June 29, 2008. **Anyone needing a pink can for their group, contact Geneva S.** --- Yours in Service, Dale J. Motion made and report passed as read.

- Corrections & Treatment Committee Report: (same as above)

Public Information / Cooperation with Professional Community (PI/CPC): No report submitted.

- PI/CPC Committee Report: (same as above)

Literature/Grapevine: Continuing to restock literature rack at the Alano club as needed. Gave bundle of AA Business cards to attorney to distribute around Court building. Have not followed up at Detox literature drop. Placing an AA literature order for “Women in Recovery” and “Think You Are too Young for AA”. --- Submitted by David K-S., Literature/Grapevine Chairperson. Motion made and report passed as read.

Items of Note: Dave has a stamper that has the card information on it that is available. Pete made a suggestion to stamp pamphlets so that new comers or anyone needing the information would have it readily available on the pamphlets.

- Literature Committee Report: (Same as above)

AA Hotline (District 2): Hotline phone number is **605-343-1091** (please make a note of it).

NOTE: District 2 (Area 63) Hotline Remote Forwarding Instructions are located below / at the end of this document.

As a hotline volunteer, you must have a current meeting schedule with you and phone numbers of other AA’s to contact or refer callers to – i.e. men to men and women to women – for 12-step calls. Please answer the phone during your time slot, if it goes to your voice-mail the caller thinks they have the wrong number. NOTE: GSO recommends that a volunteer have 6 months of sobriety to do 12-step work. Each volunteer should have a **calling list of their home group** and a **meeting list** of District 2. Also never go on a 12 step call alone, always take someone with you! **NOTE: 1.) A reminder that men work with men and women with women; 2.)**

GSR’s please pass on to your home-group hotline rep that whoever is covering the line at their designated time needs to be sure their phone is on at all times! This is for your benefit and safety and the person being 12 stepped. **3.) IF THERE IS A CHANGE IN YOUR HOTLINE REP FOR YOUR GROUP PLEASE NOTIFY TAMMY FOWLER WITH NEW REP AND PHONE NUMBER:**

The week begins at 6am on Monday to 6am the following Monday. The group responsible to take the line on beginning Monday at 6am is responsible to transfer the hotline.

REMEMBER: *When anyone anywhere reaches out for help we want the hand of AA to always be there and for that we are responsible.*

- **Hotline Group April/May Schedule:**
 - **Keep It Simple Group** (Dale J.) - - May 26th – June 1st
 - **Early Risers** - - June 2nd – June 8th
 - **Rushmore Group**(Todd T.) - - June 9th – June 15th
 - **Key Club**(Mark) - - June 16th – June 22nd
 - **Noon Group**(Marlin) - - June 23rd – June 29th
 - **RCTNG**(Mike D.) - - June 30th – July 6th
 - **Ellsworth Group**(Scott) - - July 7th – July 13th
 - **Women in Recovery**(Geneva & Sarah) - - July 14th – July 20th

If you have any questions please call me at 390-2767. ---Respectively Submitted, Brittney A. Alt. Chairperson for Tammy F., Hot Line Chairperson. Report was read and passed.

- Hotline Committee Report: Committee consists of Tammy F. Chairperson, Cyndy H. Alt. Chairperson, and Brittney A.

Web Manager: No report submitted.

GSR Reports:

Rushmore Group: The Rushmore Group meets from 7:00pm to 8:00pm every Wednesday night at the Minneluzahan Senior Center at 315 N. 4th St. (across from Rushmore Plaza-Holiday Inn and next to the Boys Club). We are a closed meeting but open the last Wednesday of the month for our Speaker and Pot Luck Birthday meeting. All birthdays are now recognized for the previous month and will be called up to receive chips with only the speaker to speak. The potluck begins at 6pm with the Birthday speaker meeting 7pm – 8pm. Birthday cake celebration follows the speaker. Jim W. will be our birthday speaker for May. Business meeting from 8:00pm to 9:00pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month. --- Respectfully submitted, Chris S. GSR.

Keep It Simple Group: is a topic discussion meeting that meets Monday nights at 7:30 – 8:30pm in the First Presbyterian Church on the corner of 7th and Kansas City St., in the basement. Our attendance is 40 – 45 people per meeting. We typically have an equal number of men and women. Our group business meeting is the first Monday of each month. We celebrate birthdays, 1, 3, 6, 9, months plus yearly. The meeting is a tag team/round robin system alternating the discussion between men and women. We hope to see you there. ---Respectfully submitted by Geneva S. GSR

Al's Group: Al's Group holds closed, topic, discussion meetings every Wednesday at 7:00PM with one open meeting on the last Wednesday of each month. This open meeting is our monthly potluck/birthday meeting beginning at 6:00PM. It is followed by a group business meeting at 6:30PM. All are invited. We meet at Viking Hall Senior Center which is located at 2900 Canyon Lake Drive. No additional report submitted.

Rapid City Thursday Night Group: The RCTNG is located in the basement of the Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Church (next to the Knights of Columbus Hall at the corner of 5th Street and Columbus Street) located at 922 5th St. Rapid City, SD. We enter at the North Side Basement door. We have a 7pm Monday Literature Study, an 8pm Thursday Call Up Speaker Meeting, and a 8pm, Open, Speaker Birthday meeting the last Thursday of the month. The first Thursday of the month is when we hold our Steering Committee Meeting at 7:00pm followed by our regular meeting.

All-Timers Group: meets Saturday's at 9:15 am in the "Card Room" of the Alano Society. We conduct a "closed" AA Step Study meeting each Saturday and a Tradition Study on the second Saturday of the month. Birthdays are celebrated at each meeting. No additional report submitted.

Noon Luncheon Group (Big Room): meets from Monday to Friday at noon at the Alano Club. We have a variety of formats each day. We have a newcomer's package, a Grapevine Representative, a GSR, Alternate GSR and a group chair. No additional report submitted.

Women in Recovery Group: is an open, topic, meeting that meets at 6:00 pm on Thursday, in the pool room, at the Alano Club in Rapid City. This meeting is for women only. Our business and birthday meeting with food is the last Thursday of the month. We have 10 full time members that have this meeting for their home group. No additional report submitted.

Ellsworth Group: Meetings are held at the Temple Baptist Church on Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's at 7:30. Monday is a Big Book study, Wednesday is a Step study, and Friday is topic meeting. On the first Friday of the month we celebrate birthdays from the previous month after the Year Birthday. Attendance is best on Fridays, but Monday and Wednesday have a few who attend regularly. No additional report submitted.

Saturday Morning 10:30 Group: We meet Saturday's at 10:30 am in the Pool Room at the Alano Club (Rapid City). We are a closed, topic discussion meeting. Attendance average is 25 people. GSR is Jake V. Secretary/Treasurer is Tom H. Alternate GSR is Mary. No additional report submitted.

Dawn Patrol Group: is a closed meeting held at 6:45am, Saturdays, at the Alano Club. It is a 12X12 study meeting. Birthdays are celebrated at each meeting. Birthday celebrants are requested to relate on the step on birthday days. Attendance is 40 – 55 people. No additional report submitted.

Stand-Up & Shine 12-Step Study Group: Stand Up & Shine is a closed women's 12X12 study meeting. We meet on Monday's at 5:30pm. We finally have a permanent location, 710 Kansas City St. (basement of church). We hope our permanent location will allow us to increase attendance. --- Yours in Service, Kirsten L.

Early Risers Group: Our group meets at 6:45am Monday – Friday in the pool room at the Alamo Club. Attendance is averaging 20 to 25 people every morning. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday are topic meetings. Tuesday is a Big book study meeting. The first Friday of the month we the Traditions, second Friday is Step Study, third Friday we have breakfast and celebrate birthdays and the fourth Friday we have a Speaker. We have our Steering Committee Meeting the 3rd Monday of the month. The group supports the Hotline every 8th week.

No additional report submitted.

Morning Star AA Group: We are an open meeting group. We meet on Friday and Sunday nights at 7:00 pm - 8:00pm at the St. Isaac Jogues – 220 Wright St., Rapid City. We hold a potluck dinner for birthdays. Morning Star group has been growing from 17 people to about 25 people.

No additional report submitted.

Black Hills Speaker Meeting Group: We meet at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Church (next to the Knights of Columbus Hall at the corner of 5th Street and Columbus Street) on 925 5th Street on Tuesday's at 7:00 pm and Saturday's at 7:30 pm. No additional report was submitted.

5:30 Happy Hour Group: (no report)

The Key Club Group: (no report)

Exit 51 Group: (no report)

Noon NS Group: (no report)

Grapevine Group: (no report)

Other Reports & Items to Note:

- **2008 Area 63 Fall Conference Committee Report:** Meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 717 St Patrick St. at the church behind Walgreen's, 7:15 pm. Speakers have been chosen – AA speakers: Gary K. Parker, CO; Bill B., Little River, SC; Shirley T., West Blockton, AL. AI – Anon speakers: Bo T., West Blockton, AL and Bernadette B., Little River, SC. The dates are – October 24-26, 2008; location – Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn. **2008 Fall Conference is accepting money and registrations now! We could use more volunteers!!** ---Anthony F., Chairperson.

Old Business:

- **Discussion of committee budget continued discussion:** Motion to discuss: *To leave the current District 2 general fund account and the prudent reserve as is until the contributions equal our approved 2008 budget of \$4,000.00 We will review this at the end of the year or before if our contributions reach \$4,000.00 which ever comes first. Then we will decide how to disperse the funds to Area 63 and GSO accordingly.* Neglected to meet w/ Treasurer for this meeting. Need to discuss and vote on budget. **Motion made** to table budget discussion till next month to gather information on how money was spent with Eric H. Treasurer, and so that there are more GSRs and Chairs are in attendance for an accurate Group Conscience vote. Lack of attendance due to Holiday weekend. **Motion was voted on and passed.**
- **Website Update:** Discussion consisted of how great the website is coming along. Website is www.Dist2AA.org. Phenomenal job on the Website Max!! Discussing a place for neighboring Districts to place information for people to understand AA. Screaming Eagle AA. Dave K-S will look to see if meeting is listed on the website. Will submit information to Jim J. or Anne F. to get information on Area 63 website. Dist 10 inactive yet but getting active.

New Business:

- **2007 District 2 Inventory Follow-Up:** D. Is time set aside at District meetings to educate members about the various service positions, job descriptions, titles (acronyms), committees, and General Service Office (GSO) structure? Actions to consider:
1.) Create a District Manual / Handbook to help answer questions – including glossary of acronyms for newcomers.
Discussion/Suggestions: That it would be helpful for the newcomer to AA and District to have a manual to follow or relate to. One would have been helpful coming to the Area to show how the Group, Area, and district work together. That a manual should focus on making sure everyone knows what's going on. To keep it simple – General terminology. To let people know what service positions are. A flow chart to show what each position is and what they do. Suggested that it is the responsibility of Sponsors to show and explain what goes on. Suggested that a pamphlet may be helpful to share with newcomers on how service work has made an impact, on who can or cannot vote on Group, District, and Area levels, etc. Todd T. volunteered to put together a flyer or pamphlet for newcomers to bring to next District meeting.

Things to Think about:



Concept Presentation:

- **Concept 12:** was read and presented by Nick B.
- **Concept 1:** to be read and presented by Nick B. who volunteered.

An adjournment motion was made and seconded and we closed with the Lord's Prayer.

NOTE: The Next District 2 Business Meeting will be held

**Sunday, June 29, 2008, 4:30pm Committee Meetings are to be held at 4:00pm
At the Flano Club in Rapid City**

Everyone is Welcome to Attend!!

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